



**Hillhead High School**

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**Head Teacher**

K McAlaney

**15<sup>th</sup> March 2021**

Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope you and your families are well. School staff are delighted to be able to welcome back more pupils from today and it has been wonderful to see them again after so long apart. As you will be aware due to current restrictions we can only have limited numbers in the building at one time and this has had an impact on our timetable too. All information has been shared with pupils via Teams pages and virtual assemblies and if you have any questions please get in touch with your child's Depute Head Teacher.

Many pupils will be excited to get back into school – even in a limited way - and see their friends and their teachers in person rather than on a screen. Some senior pupils have been back in school for a few weeks now to complete practical assignments and so will be quite comfortable with the routines in place. However, I know some pupils may also be anxious about the return too and a few were in touch worried last week that they have not kept up with all the work. Please be assured that as a school staff we understand how challenging this situation has been for everyone. We value all of the learning that has taken place during lockdown – and we regularly share examples via our Twitter account - but more importantly we value the wellbeing of all of our school community and we could not be prouder of our pupils who have shown such kindness, integrity and resilience in the face of extraordinary circumstances. We have shared this message at the weekly assemblies too. I would also like to pass on a heartfelt thank you to all of you for your support. The partnership between schools and families has never been more important and your communication, kind words and patience as we have navigated these unchartered times has been really appreciated.

Below is a reminder of the times pupils will be attending school. Pupils are asked to arrive 5-10 minutes before their in-school session.

	9:00 AM	10:00 AM	11:00 AM	12:00 AM	1:00 PM	2:00 PM	3:00PM
BGE		BGE AM: 9.15 to 11.00am			BGE PM 12.00 to 1.45pm		
Senior Phase			Senior Phase AM: 9.30am to 11.30am		Senior Phase PM: 12.10 to 2.10pm		
Keyworkers		Keyworker AM: 8.50am to 11.00am	Break	Keyworker AM: 11.20am to 1.00pm	Lunch	Keyworker PM: 1.30 to 2.55/ 3.55pm	



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### **BGE classes (S1-S3)**

If your child is in S1 to S3 they should attend school at the following times only each week:

<b>Registration class</b>	<b>Day</b>	<b>Time</b>
<b>1A, 1B &amp; 1C</b>	<b>Monday - AM</b>	<b>9.15am – 11.00am</b>
<b>1D, 1E &amp; 1F</b>	<b>Monday - PM</b>	<b>12.00pm-1.45pm</b>
<b>2A, 2B &amp; 2C</b>	<b>Tuesday - AM</b>	<b>9.15am – 11.00am</b>
<b>2D, 2E &amp; 2F</b>	<b>Tuesday- PM</b>	<b>12.00pm-1.45pm</b>
<b>3A, 3B &amp; 3C</b>	<b>Wednesday - PM</b>	<b>12.00pm-1.45pm</b>
<b>3D, 3E &amp; 3F</b>	<b>Thursday - PM</b>	<b>12.00pm-1.45pm</b>

During these in-school sessions pupils will focus on reconnection and wellbeing. As part of their online learning at home for the next three weeks S1&S2 pupils will also be working on a Learning for Sustainability project across many of their subjects. Information has been shared at virtual assemblies and Mrs Campbell will be posting daily tasks on the year group Teams page. You will be able to see examples of the work on our Twitter account @HillheadHS.



As you may have seen on Twitter and on Teams pages, Miss Caldwell is leading a virtual Bake Off with prize for the best staff and pupil entry. If pupils wish to take part, they have until Monday 22nd March to bake anything of their choice but it must contain **at least 1 locally sourced ingredient or a fair trade product** - this could be anything from the chocolate used, eggs from a local farm or fruit from a local grocer/farm shop. Sadly we will not be able to taste the entries but a photograph of the finished product should be emailed to Miss Caldwell at **[gw17caldwelleilidh@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk](mailto:gw17caldwelleilidh@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk)** with list of the Fairtrade and/or locally sourced ingredients used.

### **SQA Information Session & SQA survey**

Mr Neil and Miss Black are hosting an **SQA Information Session** for parents and carers of S5 &S6 pupils on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> March on Teams from 6.00pm-7.00pm. All information is on year group Teams pages.

Parents and Carers of pupils undertaking SQA qualifications this session are invited to take part in a consultation process which will help to inform this year's post results appeal service. This is an important opportunity to ensure that parents and carers have a say in this year's model and we would urge all who can to participate. The consultation is open for responses between 12



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March and midnight on 26 March 2021. Responses will be analysed, and a report produced by the SQA summarising the views expressed. You can access the consultation by following this link:

[https://www.sqa.org.uk/sqa/96506.html?mkt\\_tok=NTA1LVICSC0zMDAAAAF7xSxCRkkcoxD0MqKL15s4Eb9QcksyYnTK5HXR\\_GnSW2mt4r8C\\_knMVChDggLrZx3hlargYY9\\_uO7p8ZZRIAUTREVtP9diFZO2HbFA](https://www.sqa.org.uk/sqa/96506.html?mkt_tok=NTA1LVICSC0zMDAAAAF7xSxCRkkcoxD0MqKL15s4Eb9QcksyYnTK5HXR_GnSW2mt4r8C_knMVChDggLrZx3hlargYY9_uO7p8ZZRIAUTREVtP9diFZO2HbFA)

### **Support for Learning**

Miss McGuire is currently absent and will not return until after the Spring break. If you have any queries over the next few weeks, please contact Miss Black – email addresses are below.

### **Tracking Reports**

S4, S5 & S6 Tracking reports will be issued to pupils this week and will be posted if the pupil is absent. S1, S2 and S3 reports will be completed next week with the aim to issue or post them by early the following week. Apologies for the slight delay with the reports which was due to ICT issues outwith our control and which have now been resolved.

As always, if you have any queries, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Kind regards,

*Mrs K. McAlaney*

### **Contact Information**

Our school office will be open from 9.00am-3.00pm each day to answer phone calls. Below are contact email addresses for members of the leadership team in the school.

#### **Pastoral Care**

Miss Hewitt – [gw09hewittjenny@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk](mailto:gw09hewittjenny@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk)

Ms Robinson – [gw16robinsonlynsey1@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk](mailto:gw16robinsonlynsey1@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk)

Mr Greechan – [gw07greechanjohn@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk](mailto:gw07greechanjohn@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk)

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Miss Campbell – [gw19campbellkirstin@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk](mailto:gw19campbellkirstin@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk)



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**Senior Leadership Team:**

**S1 & S2 pupils:** Mrs Campbell - [gw10campbellharriet@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk](mailto:gw10campbellharriet@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk)

**S3 Pupils** –Miss Black [gw15blackleanne@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk](mailto:gw15blackleanne@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk)

**S4 Pupils** – Ms Higgins [gw10higginsnicola@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk](mailto:gw10higginsnicola@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk)

**S5 and S6 pupils** – Mr Neil [gw10neilsteven@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk](mailto:gw10neilsteven@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk)

**Head Teacher:** [gw10mcalaneykaren@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk](mailto:gw10mcalaneykaren@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk)

**Parent Council:** [hillheadhighparentcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:hillheadhighparentcouncil@gmail.com)



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